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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the September 24, 2002 Official Action in the above-identified matter, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 14, line 15, delete "then".

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 7-8 and 10-12 as follows:

7. (Amended) A method for producing a construct by seamlessly joining solid

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